

PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE October 25-26, 2007
PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
October 24, 2007

Committee Members: James Steed (Chair), Shiloh Blackburn, Lisa Robbe-Soults. Absent: Jim Baugh, Bill Elvey, Corrine Johnson, and Leslie Clement.

Council Staff: Tracy Warren, Samantha Wallace

Call to order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome and Introductions - Perfection of Agenda - Announcements 	<p>Meeting began at 10:45am</p> <p>Introductions were given around the table, and the</p> <p>Committee reviewed the agenda.</p>
Approval of October 1st minutes Action ⇨	<p>The minutes from the October 1st meeting were reviewed.</p> <p>Motion to accept minutes as written: Lisa Robbe-Soults</p> <p>Motion Second: Shiloh Blackburn.</p> <p>Minutes were accepted by unanimous consent.</p>
2008 Legislative Slate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISSH changes 	<p>Proposal for ISSH changes was introduced. The draft Council position on changes at ISSH was reviewed and discussed. Lisa Robbe-Soults recommended a change in the wording of the position draft for people first language. Tracy recommended the position be in 2 separate documents (position statement and background information). The change will be presented for full Council approval at tomorrow's meeting. (The determination of the Council was to keep the information on one document, with the position statement on the front and background information on the back.)</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extended Employment Services budget 	<p>The Committee reviewed the draft letter to Dr. Graham describing Council support for the extended employment budget increase. Shiloh Blackburn will present the letter to the Full Council.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legislative slate review/update • Fact sheets for key issues • January Legislative Reception 	<p>The legislative slate was reviewed by the Committee. Shiloh presented information about the Consumer Caucus Meeting and the presentation on Idaho guardianship committees by Darcy Naser from DHW Family and Community Services.</p> <p>The fact sheets for medical consent legislation, extended employment services budget request and the family-directed services report were introduced by Tracy Warren.</p> <p>The Committee discussed the 2008 Legislative reception. Tracy Warren shared the possibility of a “round robin” set-up. James Steed mentioned that we might want to do a short presentation explaining the different tables. James Steed recommended an invitation be created and sent to the legislators. Tracy Warren suggested that the turn-out would be positively affected by personal calls by Council Members and others to their local legislators with follow-up emails, etc. Shiloh suggested a link be put on the website for Council Members to use to contact their legislators. Council Members would be responsible for letting staff know which legislators were contacted and who is planning to attend. Tracy Warren suggested a blanket email could also be sent to the legislators. Lisa Robbe-Soults recommended that the information to support legislator contacts be sent to Council Members as soon as possible (right after Thanksgiving).</p>
<p>New Issues for Consideration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Issues • Input from members 	<p>Lisa Robbe-Soults brought an ISSH waiver issue to the attention of the Committee. Through her experience working with a client, Lisa feels that it is a barrier that an individual can not be eligible for services under the ISSH waiver unless they have been admitted to ISSH first. She feels that there is a gap in service availability to folks who are not eligible for waived services which leads the individual and their family into a crisis situation and institutional placement.</p>
<p>Follow-up ⇨</p>	<p>Tracy Warren reported issues identified with</p>

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	implementation of the My Voice My Choice self-direction training. The Committee decided to review this topic at a future meeting.
Follow up from last meeting - check on action items from Oct. 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Develop a position with guideposts related to proposed ISSH changes ✓ Draft letter in support of IDVR EES budget with stipulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Contact Idaho congressmen in opposition to Rehab Services rules ✓ Tracy will look into education rules about alternative certification for school professionals ✓ Tracy will send out draft language for Medical Consent Law to committee members ✓ Committee will provide the 2008 legislative slate info to all Council members at October meeting ✓ Staff to make arrangements for January reception
Wrap Up - Review Action Items - Future Agenda Items - Meeting Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Make changes to draft position on ISSH changes ○ Develop Save-the Date cards and invitations for legislative reception. ○ Develop information to support contact with legislators, send out and put on website. My Voice My Choice self-direction training Legislative Reception
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm